

"Clean and Affordable Energy for a Growing, Secure Economy"

Republicans are committed to innovative new technologies to develop America's energy resources that create jobs and reduce our dependence on foreign oil and gas while preserving the environment.

Passage of a Comprehensive, Bipartisan Energy Bill will:

- Preserve Jobs and Strengthen America's Economy
- Utilize Technology to Improve Conservation and Efficiency
- Diversify and Increase Domestic Energy Supply in Environmentally Responsible Ways

Passage of Energy Bill = Jobs Abundant and affordable energy stimulates the economy and creates jobs

- "Nearly 2 million jobs could be lost in the next decade if the Senate does not pass comprehensive energy legislation." (National Association of Manufacturers)
- By 2020, 700,000 jobs will be lost in the manufacturing sector alone without an Energy Bill. (National Association of Manufacturers)
- Ethanol provision will create 230,000 new rural jobs. (American Farm Bureau)

Strengthening America's Economy - Consumers Will See Savings

Cost of heating oil, coal and natural gas has significantly increased in the last 3 years.

- Expanding production of all energies will stabilize energy prices that climbed sharply in recent years due to tight supply.
- If Congress had passed an energy bill four years ago, consumers would not be struggling with high energy costs today.
- Passing a comprehensive energy bill will ensure that energy prices are lower four years from now.

The Energy Bill Employs Innovative Technology To Improve Conservation and Efficiency

Provisions will go farther than Congress has gone before to conserve energy and ensure efficiency.

- Ambitious efficiency and conservation program that sets first-time efficiency standards for 14 commercial and residential appliances that traditionally use a great deal of energy.
- Grant incentives to states that maintain up-to-date building codes to help state governments save energy.
- Federal loan guarantee program to encourage the design and deployment of innovative technologies and new energies that stabilize energy price and supply while protecting the environment.

Comprehensive, Bipartisan Energy Reform Will Revitalize Rural America

- Increase production of renewable energies from wind, solar, nuclear power, clean coal, oil, gas and geothermal sources.
- Ethanol provision requires fuel manufacturers to use 8 billion gallons of ethanol in gasoline by 2012.
- Creates incentives for alternative energy sources such as hydrogen, clean coal, wind, solar and nuclear energy.

(Prepared by Senate Republican Conference & the Senate Energy Committee)
